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CONCERNING THE SITUATION IN ANGOLA

LETTER DATED 31 JULY 1998 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE

I have the honour to convey to you, in your capacity as the Chairman of the Security Council Committee created pursuant to resolution 864 (1993) concerning the situation in Angola, details of the measures adopted by Her Majesty's Government to implement the provisions of paragraphs 11 and 12 of Security Council resolution 1173 (1998), in accordance with paragraph 4 of Security Council resolution 1176 (1998).

Guidance has been issued to all official representation overseas instructing them to avoid any contact with the União Nacional para a Independência Total de Angola (UNITA), whether locally or in Angola.

Importation of diamonds exported from Angola will not be permitted unless they are accompanied by a certificate of origin issued by the Government of Unity and National Reconciliation of Angola (GURN). Diamonds from Angola without an accompanying GURN certificate of origin will also be removed from the scope of the Open General Import Licence. The prohibition on the importation of diamonds will apply following the entry into force of a European Union regulation implementing the United Nations sanctions resolution.

The remaining sanctions are implemented in the United Kingdom by an Order in Council, which came into force on 23 July 1998. Under the Order in Council, a licence is needed (a) to sell or supply to the order of any person in Angola the goods specified in annex VI of the revised consolidated guidelines of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 864 (1993) concerning the situation in Angola; (b) to export such goods to Angola or to any destination for the purpose of delivery, directly or indirectly, to or to the order of any person in Angola; (c) to use any ship or aircraft registered in the United Kingdom, or chartered to any person who is a British citizen, a British Dependent Territories citizen, a British Overseas citizen, a British subject or

a British protected person, or any vehicle in the United Kingdom to carry restricted goods to Angola (whether from the United Kingdom or elsewhere).

Licences will only be granted for supply to areas of Angola under State administration, unless the Sanctions Committee has agreed to a specific humanitarian exemption.

Finally, under the Order in Council, no person may, without permission of Her Majesty's Treasury: (a) make any payment, or any gold, securities or investments; or (b) make any changes in the persons to whose credit any sum is to stand or to whose order any gold, securities or investments are to be held, where any such action is likely to make available to or for the benefit of UNITA or any person connected with UNITA any funds or any financial assets or resources, whether by their removal from the United Kingdom or otherwise, or otherwise to result in the remittance or transfer of funds or other resources to or for the benefit of UNITA or any person connected with UNITA. Permission will be granted subject to the United Nations agreed list.

Similar Orders in Council have been made in order that effect may be given to Security Council resolution 1173 (1998) in the Crown Dependencies and Overseas Territories. The latter Order also prohibits the import of diamonds on which guidance will be issued to Governors.